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## CALIFORNIA COUNTIES PASS 'BO' ARMY ALONG IN 'SPECIAL' TRAINS

Fares of More Than Thousand  
"Bums" Enroute to Capital Paid  
to Get Rid of Them.

### SHIPMENT MADE AT HUGE COST

Idle Horde Travel in State with  
Free Grub Abounding.

### ARMY IS INCREASING DAILY

Consists of Eleven Hundred and  
Seventy-Two Persons Now.

### HALF WILL GO THROUGH OMAHA

Force of Unemployed Led by "General"  
Kelly Will Divide Into  
Parts on Reaching Sun-  
flower State.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—"Pass them along" is the plan in which California communities are dealing with "General" Kelly's army of unemployed, now on its way to Washington, D. C., and as a result the tourists are traveling in state.

It cost Contra Costa county \$700.50 in railroad fares today to ship the army to Benira, Solano county. Benira at once made preparations to send it on to Yolo and Sacramento counties. An appeal to the State Railroad commission brought permission for the Southern Pacific to grant a reduced fare, but the railroad company itself refused to be a party to any plan "for dumping a lot of undesirable onto unoffending communities," and the Solano county officials then agreed to pay first class fares, as had Contra Costa.

### Special Train Made Up

There was a hitch while the railroad company rounded up cars to make up a special train, and the army camped at Benira for the night, with Adjutant General Forbes of the California National Guard on hand to see if there would be any need of calling out state troops to preserve order.

Contra Costa county was lavish in its hospitality today. It distributed to the two camps of marchers 2,000 loaves of bread, six quarters of beef, fifty sacks of potatoes, twelve sacks of onions, a wagon load of fish and tea, coffee and rice by the hundred weight.

### Officer Deserts

"Colonel" Louis LaPlace, attached to the staff of "General" Kelly, deserted last night and returned to San Francisco today to resume his place as a police detective. When the unemployed first invaded the city four weeks ago LaPlace was detailed to join them, and his identity was hidden so completely that he returned today with his head in bandages as the result of a beating given him by a deputy sheriff at Richmond yesterday when the army engaged in a riot.

LaPlace says the army consists of 1,175 officers and privates, and is growing in number daily; that it plans to divide into two divisions on reaching Kansas, one continuing on toward Washington, D. C., by way of Kansas City and the other by way of Omaha.

### REPORT THAT PONTIFF IS SERIOUSLY ILL IS DENIED

ROME, March 6.—Erroneous reports were current in Rome today that the pope was ill and had fainted shortly after rising. The condition of his holiness was absolutely normal. He rose at his usual hour and celebrated mass. Then he conferred with Cardinals Merry del Val and De Lodi. Afterward he listened to a Lenten sermon by Father Ludwig Fadava, the pontifical preacher, and at its conclusion conferred with several members of the Sacred college.

### Famous Statue Sold at Auction

NEW YORK, March 6.—Venus Anadyomene, an armless and footless Greek statue of the third century, B. C., excavated on the island of Rhodes in 1902, was sold for \$150 last night at the disposal of the collection of H. C. Hoakier in the American art galleries. The purchaser was Richard Ederheimer.

## The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity  
—Fair Saturday and Sunday.  
Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Wind
7 A. M.	31	W. 10
8 A. M.	31	W. 10
9 A. M.	31	W. 10
10 A. M.	31	W. 10
11 A. M.	31	W. 10
12 M.	31	W. 10
1 P. M.	31	W. 10
2 P. M.	31	W. 10
3 P. M.	31	W. 10
4 P. M.	31	W. 10
5 P. M.	31	W. 10
6 P. M.	31	W. 10
7 P. M.	31	W. 10
8 P. M.	31	W. 10
9 P. M.	31	W. 10
10 P. M.	31	W. 10
11 P. M.	31	W. 10
12 M.	31	W. 10

### Comparative Local Record.

Element	1914	1913	1912	1911
Highest yesterday	37	40	28	46
Lowest yesterday	31	14	11	21
Mean temperature	34	27	20	35
Precipitation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess for year	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Normal precipitation	31.00	31.00	31.00	31.00
Excess for the day	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total excess since March 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deficiency for the day	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total rainfall since March 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deficiency since March 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess for year, period, 1913	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess for year, period, 1912	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess for year, period, 1911	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Reports from Stations 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

## Will Propose Law to Prevent Strikes of Coal Diggers

DENVER, Colo., March 6.—A compulsory arbitration law for the settlement of disputes between coal operators and their employes as one of the recommendations of the federal strike investigating committee was forwarded today by questions put to E. L. Doyle, secretary and treasurer of District No. 15, United Mine Workers of America, by representative Howard Sutherland of West Virginia.

In examination of Doyle Mr. Sutherland questioned the witness closely on the subject of arbitration, his questions indicating that he would urge the enactment of a federal statute similar to the Canadian statute which included coal mining among the industries in which controversies between labor and capital must be submitted to board of mediation.

The method is similar to that provided in the amended Erdman act for the settlement of disputes between railroads and their employes.

It is Mr. Sutherland's theory that fuel is a public necessity second only to transportation, and that the rights of the public should be protected through the power of the federal government to regulate interstate commerce. Under his plan money would be submitted to a board of mediation empowered to summon witnesses under oath, whose findings would be binding on both parties.

During the period of arbitration the miners would be compelled to remain at work. Thus the public supply of coal would be provided without interruption.

Mr. Sutherland cited the increased price of coal in Colorado last fall and a recent coal famine in British Columbia as proving the right of the public to enforce a constant supply of coal.

His testimony was resumed at the opening of the day's session before the congressional investigating committee hearing testimony on the Colorado coal strike. The witness was questioned closely concerning purchase of arms. He said there was no record of money spent for guns, but admitted that he had given money to men who "came to me and said they needed protection for their homes."

## Wild Goose Chase By Grand Island Police Officers

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., March 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Inspired by brief descriptions of persons and places in Grand Island given over the telephone by Mrs. Boggs of Lewellen, who laid claim to ability as a seeress, a posse of policemen and officers heavily armed made a trip eighteen miles into the country south of this city in search of Howard Meeker, the young man whose mysterious disappearance from his home in Lewellen has caused his father to make an extended search for him.

The party had been warned that the young man was being kidnapped by a band of men in a red automobile, who were supposedly a gang of gunmen, and the band went prepared to meet a company of desperadoes in a guerrilla campaign.

Eighteen miles south of Grand Island the party became lodged in poor roads and snow drifts between Doniphan and Hansen and after floundering about helplessly, the seeress being unable to give further directions and in fact being worn out by the trip, the party retraced its steps and came home late this evening.

## Mrs Belmont Serves Notice on Senators; Must Not Vote Now

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont served notice on Senator Ashurst today that the suffragists would declare war on him if he permitted the woman suffrage constitutional amendment to go to a vote in the senate at this time, when there is doubt that it might command the necessary two-thirds vote.

"If you allow the woman suffrage amendment to go to a vote now," Mrs. Belmont telegraphed, "I shall consider you false to our interests and shall not hesitate to make the fact known in important places. Those who have asked you to push the amendment to a vote now are not genuinely interested in its immediate success. They are progressives and are using you. Beware of their advice. We expect you to represent us, not them."

"Mrs. Belmont is one of the leaders, if not the leader, of the whole movement," volunteered Senator Ullie James. Senator Ashurst added she was a very excellent woman.

## W. G. CONRAD, MONTANA MILLIONAIRE IS DEAD

WINCHESTER, Va., March 6.—William G. Conrad, a wealthy Montana man and formerly a political opponent of Senator Clark of that state, died here today.

Conrad owned large properties in Helena and Bozeman, and was reported to be worth \$2,000,000. It was said he owned land in every county in Montana. He was interested in railroad building and mines and was urged to run as vice president with Bryan in 1908, but refused. His home was in Virginia and he had gone west after serving in the Confederate army.

## CHARGED MILWAUKEE JUGGLED FIGURES TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC

Book Account of C. M. & St. P.  
Company and Subsidiary  
related, is

### REPORT STATE BODY Done to Create More Favorable Market for Securities.

COMPANY VALUABLE PROPERTY  
Commissioner Says System Achieving  
Results Anticipated.

### IRREGULARITIES ARE SERIOUS

Officers Explain They Resulted  
from Negligence and Unfamiliarity  
of Requirements on  
Part of Comptroller.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Charges that the book accounts of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company and of its subsidiary, the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway company, have been so manipulated as to mislead the public and tend to create a more favorable market for the securities of the roads were contained in a report made public today by the Interstate Commerce commission after an exhaustive investigation of the financial affairs of the roads.

While criticizing and condemning the accounting methods followed by the companies, however, Commissioner Harlan, who prepared the report, said:

"We do not mean to be understood by anything here said as intimating that the St. Paul company is not a valuable property and is not achieving the results reasonably anticipated from the extension of its lines to the Pacific coast."

"Serious Irregularities."

The disclosures by the investigation of what Commissioner Harlan described in the report as "serious irregularities" in the accounting system of the roads were regarded by the commission as indefensible, although the officers of the St. Paul company explained that they "resulted from negligence in attention and a lack of familiarity on the part of the company's comptroller and those under him with the requirements of the commission."

"There is no sufficient basis of record," he said, "to condemn or acquit the comptroller, either of full responsibility or of his share of responsibility for the condition of the accounts of these companies, but there are grounds for thinking that his responsibility was materially qualified and minimized by the instructions and directions given him by the executive and other officials. Whatever may be the fact in that regard the commission now feels that a more careful observance of our rules and regulations is promised for the future. This we confidently anticipate will be realized."

A general admonition contained in the report made it clear that the commission hereafter will hold to strict accountability all common carriers for the accuracy and thoroughness of statements contained in their reports of financial operations.

## Sentences of Three Inspectors Upheld; Fourth is Reversed

NEW YORK, March 6.—The appellate division of the supreme court today unanimously affirmed the conviction of former Police Inspectors Murtha, Thompson and Eweeney, found guilty of having conspired to obstruct justice. In the case of the fourth convicted, Inspector Huasey, the court reversed the conviction and directed Huasey's discharge from the Blackwell Island penitentiary.

The decision comes too late to be of material benefit to Huasey, in that his term of a year expires on Monday next. On that date also the others are to be released, provided their next fines of \$50. The four were convicted of spriting witnesses out of the country.

## Alleged Embezzler Wanted in Denver Found in Calgary

WINNIPEG, Man., March 6.—A dispatch from Calgary, Alta., states that Harmon C. Snyder, who is said to have embezzled \$5,000 from his employers, the United States Portland Cement company of Denver, was arrested there, also Mrs. Bonnie Belle Sutherland, a young woman who disappeared from Denver about the time that Snyder took his departure. The pair were living in a cottage at Calgary. Snyder will be taken back to Denver for trial.

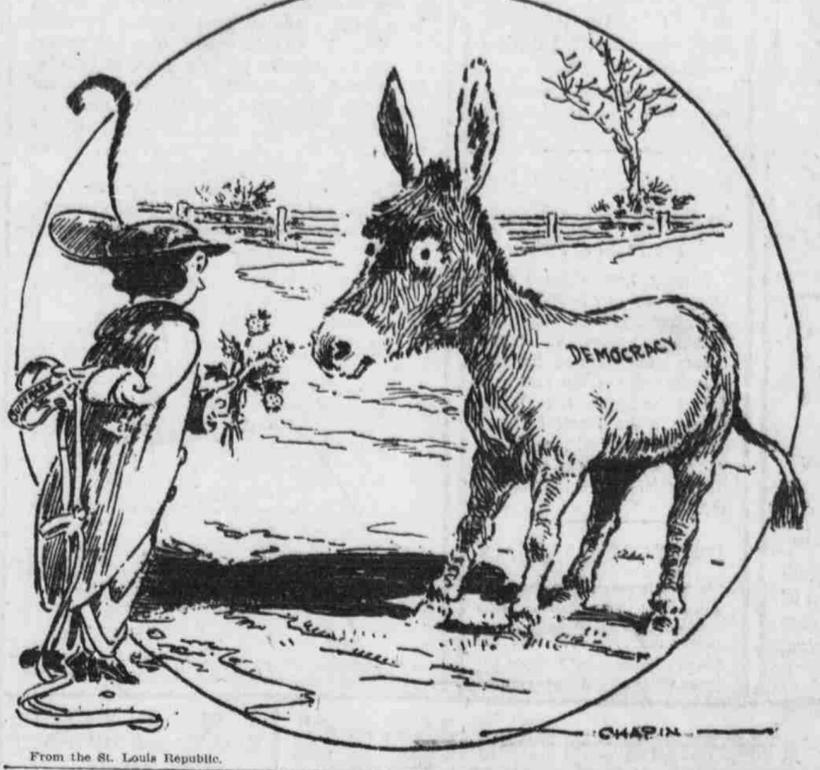
## The National Capital Friday, March 6, 1914.

Met at noon.  
Senator Poindexter introduced a resolution calling on President Wilson to explain certain phrases in his Panama canal address.

Met at noon.  
Interstate commerce committee reported a bill to repeal the Panama canal tolls exemption.

Met at noon.  
Representative Hendry asked the labor committee to report a bill to prohibit importation of prison-made goods.

## "Nice Horsie!"



From the St. Louis Republic.

## WILL PROBE FUTURE TRADING House Rules Committee Agrees on a General Inquiry.

GRAIN AND COTTON DEALS  
President of the Chicago Board of  
Trade Says Wheat Pit is Only  
Market Place and There  
is No Monopoly.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Congressional investigation of the entire subject of trading in futures, grain and cotton, has been agreed on. Chairman Henry of the house rules committee today so told Henry S. Robbins, counsel for the Chicago Board of Trade, at the hearing on Representative Manahan's resolution to investigate the grain exchanges of Duluth, Chicago and Minneapolis.

Mr. Robbins said if an investigation of the grain exchanges were ordered, the Chicago Board of Trade favored a sweeping inquiry into the whole subject. Chairman Henry replied that it was planned to do that and carry out the platform pledge of the democratic party. Whether legislation to regulate cotton futures trading will be coupled with laws for grain exchanges, has not been decided.

Mr. Robbins said he favored a commission of senators, representatives and men from private life. He mentioned President Hadley of Yale university as the type of man he had in mind.

"The Chicago Board of Trade has nothing to conceal," he declared. "We favor the fullest and most comprehensive investigation possible if you decide that any investigation is necessary or advisable."

Defense of the practices of wheat pits was made today by C. H. Canby, president of the Chicago Board of Trade. The Chicago board, he said, was merely a market place; monopolies through its instrumentality was impossible.

Mr. Canby insisted he had personal knowledge that "sharp and even bitter competition" existed between the elevator companies in Chicago. An exception was made in 1906, he said, when a pool lasted for three months and collapsed of its own weight. That he said, was a period when the Sherman act was a dead letter on the statute books and business morals were at a low ebb. He refused to be charged that the Chicago board participated in monopolistic operations.

Charges that growers were damaged through the process of mixing grains, he declared, is "a base slander on honest grain inspectors." He read telegrams from buyers saying they found nothing unsatisfactory in the Illinois inspection.

## Bandits Get Fourteen Thousand by Holdup

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—Two robbers, armed with revolvers, held up John Lucas, paymaster of the Brown Shoe company, here this afternoon and robbed him of about \$14,000. The theft took place in front of a factory of the company, after which the bandits "leaped into Lucas' automobile and escaped. They commanded the chauffeur to drive them to a street car bound for the northern limits of the city. They boarded the car and told the chauffeur not to follow them.

Paymaster Lucas went to a bank this afternoon and drew the money with which to pay the factory employees. Later he went in an automobile to the factory, stepped from the car and turned to take two valises containing the money from the automobile. As his back was turned the robbers rushed towards him and covered him with revolvers. Lucas escaped into the factory, but left the money in the machine.

Later two men supposed to be the bandits got out of a car in the south part of the city, each one carrying a valise. Apparently, they had left the north bound car soon after boarding it and took one in the opposite direction.

Fire at Syracuse, N. Y.  
SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 6.—Fire in the clock block at Clifford and West Otis-ago streets early today threatened the business section of Syracuse and caused a loss of more than \$50,000. The plant of the Syracuse Press suffered \$50,000 damage.

## Commission Will Not Go to Chihuahua to Examine Benton Body

WASHINGTON, March 6.—From the British point of view, which will doubtless be adopted by the State department, no useful purpose can now be served by dispatching to Chihuahua the American-British commission to examine the body of William S. Benton to discover the manner in which the man met his death at the hands of General Villa. Time probably has destroyed any physical evidence for the legal case that will ultimately be presented for settlement by the British government in accordance with the pledge of Sir Edward Grey and reliance will be placed entirely on testimony already collected.

It is expected that British Consul Percival, who went to El Paso in the early stages of the case to co-operate with the American commissioners, will soon return to Galveston.

NACO, Sonora, Mexico, March 6.—General Carranza, accompanied by about 500 troops, left here today upon his cross-country march into Chihuahua. He probably will touch tomorrow at Agua Prieta, opposite Douglas, Ariz. There more troops will join his escort.

The constitutionalist commander-in-chief had sent his automobiles to Juarez through the United States. He rode on horseback at the head of his personal guard of 100 men, which was followed by the Fourth Infantry of Sonora state troops.

## Mitchell Telephone Corporation Will Appeal Ouster Suit

MITCHELL, S. D., March 6.—(Special.)—Attorney T. H. Null of Huron, counsel for Mr. Spangler of this city, in the injunction suit over the Dakota Central Telephone case in Mitchell, today served notice of intention to appeal the case upon Lauritz Miller, city attorney. This is the case in which the city of Mitchell is trying to oust the Dakota Central Telephone company and install a municipally owned and operated system.

An injunction suit was brought by T. J. Spangler last October to restrain the city from selling 100,000 worth of bonds for this purpose, claiming that such an issue would exceed the legal indebtedness of the city. The injunction was dissolved last week in circuit court by Judge Robert H. Tripp of Yankton.

City Attorney Miller will also file a suit against the telephone company asking for \$125,24 as the city's share of the gross earnings of the company from June 1, 1912, to May 11, 1913. At this time the franchise of the telephone company expired and an attempt will be made by the city to make the company pay for this breach of privileges.

## Inventor Block Signals Retires

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 6.—W. W. Slater, known as the dean of signal engineers, has retired on a pension after fifty years' service with the Southern Pacific railroad. Slater is credited with the discovery of the principle of the automatic block signal, which he invented. He began work as a newshy on the Columbus, Piqua & Indiana line.

## Tomorrow the Best Colored Comics

—with—  
The Sunday Bee

## WILSON MAKES HIT IN LONDON British Papers Praise His Message on Canal Tolls.

EXAMPLE OF STRAIGHT DEALING  
Westminster Gazette Commends His  
Attitude in the Consideration  
of the Diplomats of the  
Old World.

LONDON, March 6.—Laudatory comments on President Wilson's message to congress are published in most of the newspapers of this country today. The government organ, the Westminster Gazette, pays the highest compliments to President Wilson for his attitude in regard to the question of Panama tolls. It says:

"It is not always convenient to call a statesman of another country as a 'first judge' when he advocates your cause against a section of his own countrymen. We cannot refrain, however, from expressing respectful admiration of the courage and manliness with which President Wilson handles the Panama tolls question."

"The president of the United States sets an example of straight dealing which may be recommended to diplomats of the old world. Other statesmen in other countries are capable of doing the thing he has done, but most of them would search for diplomatic phrases or make-believe arguments to save the faces of their governments or to conceal from their own public that they are proposing a change of policy."

"It is a great example. If the people of the United States respond to it, as we feel confident they will do, they will have done much more than adjust the difference between them and us with regard to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. They will have set a precedent of profound importance to the whole world."

Referring to President Wilson's mention of "other matters of even greater importance,"

## Canadian Lumberman Says Reciprocity Would Carry Now

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 6.—The National Wholesale Lumber Dealers' association closed its annual convention today after electing a Canadian, Gordon G. Edwards of Ottawa, for president. The vice president is W. W. Knight of Indianapolis.

Rodolph Lemieux, former postmaster general of Canada, was the chief speaker at the closing session. He said:

"If any appeal were made now to the Canadian people there would be an overwhelming majority in favor of the reciprocity pact. The defeat of the pact in September, 1911, was wrong. Last year 56 per cent of Canada's business was with the United States and 41 per cent of the foreign trade of the United States was with Canada. This is not based on sentiment; it pays you and it pays us. We hope that it will go on increasing every year. Trade is the forerunner of peace and the vanguard of progress."

## C. W. HARRIDGE, THAW LAWYER IS DISBARRED

NEW YORK, March 6.—Clifford W. Harridge, counsel for Harry K. Thaw at his first trial for the killing of Stanford White, was disbarred from the practice of law by the appellate division of the supreme court. The court found that Harridge had spent \$50,000 to induce women witnesses who might have testified against Thaw to leave the city.

Daniel O'Reilly, another of the Thaw lawyers, died not long ago after serving a term on Blackwell's Island for receiving stolen property.

Art Dealers Insolvent.  
CHICAGO, arch 6.—Liabilities of more than \$1,000,000 are said to be involved in the receivership established here today for Moulton & Rieckts, dealers in paintings, etchings and art objects. One of the largest creditors is Arthur Tooth & Co., of London and New York, whose claim is said to amount to more than \$250,000.

## BILL FOR REPEAL OF TOLLS EXEMPTION REPORTED TO HOUSE

Only Four Members of Committee on  
Commerce Go on Record as  
Against Proposition.

### BILL IS SHORT AND TO THE POINT

It Strikes Out Single Sentence in  
Original Measure.

### ADMINISTRATION IS ACTIVE

Every Effort Being Made to Push  
Bill Through in Jig Time.

### QUESTION FOR THE PRESIDENT

Senator Poindexter Introduces Reso-  
lution Asking Executive Mean-  
ing of Reference to Matter  
of Greater Delicacy.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The first bill to repeal the Panama tolls exemption was favorably reported by the house commerce committee today by a vote of 17 to 4. Representatives Doremus of Michigan (democrat), Knowland of California (republican), O'Shaughnessy of Michigan (democrat) and Lafayette of Washington (progressive), opposed it.

The bill as reported by the committee is brief and to the point. It simply provides that the sentence in the Panama canal act reading: "No tolls shall be levied on vessels engaged in the coastwise trade of the United States" shall be repealed. Members who voted against it pointed out that another provision relating to minimum tolls also must be repealed or the whole question will be open and the United States may in its discretion allow American vessels free use of the canal.

Chairman Adamson immediately began work on a report to the house and declared he would press the repeal just as rapidly as possible. The committee also voted to ask for a special rule to expedite the repeal. With three days allowed for the minority report it is probable no effort will be made to take up the bill in the house before next Thursday.

At the White House there was every evidence the administration was pushing for action.

Later today Chairman Adamson filed the committee's report. It was a lengthy defense for a repeal and emphatically denied that any influences other than those of national honor and good faith were working for a change in the law.

### QUESTION FOR THE EXECUTIVE

Resolution Asks for Meaning of a  
Phrase in His Message.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Senator Poindexter, progressive, introduced a resolution today calling on President Wilson to explain what matters "of even greater delicacy and nearer consequence" he referred to in his address to congress yesterday as depending on the repeal of the Panama tolls exemption.

The resolution, with a similar one by Senator Jones, republican, of Washington passed over for a day under the rules.

At the White House yesterday the president when questioned about that feature of his address, explained that he meant to say that it was very awkward to deal with foreign nations which took the position that the United States did not live up to its treaty obligations. That particular phrase of the address, however, was widely discussed in official and congressional circles and many constructions were applied to it.

### C. W. POST WINS HIS RACE AGAINST DEATH

ROCHESTER, Minn., March 6.—C. W. Post won his race with death half across the continent when his special train arrived at the Great Western depot in this city at 9:25 o'clock this morning, just three and one-half hours ahead of schedule time.

## Waking up the retailer

Not many retailers are asleep, but many slumber. That is, many retailers are so used to their business that they are not always as wide awake to their opportunities as they might be.

This is not sermonizing—just a frank statement of fact. There are perhaps retailers who have in their stores many kinds of merchandise that the people want.

There are other retailers whose stocks might be cleaned up—undesirable merchandise might be eliminated and a fresh stock of the kind people ask for substituted.

This results in a bigger business, makes more pleased customers, and requires less capital than the old